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SENATOR BROMM: ...efforts. That would not sound like a big figure. No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, if they were going to spend it just to tell the difference between industrial hemp and marijuana, does \$680,000 sound like a lot to you?

SENATOR BROMM: It sounds like a lot.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And I'm...that's all that I want to ask you. Because to me, it seemed like they inflated figures, like the Attorney General does, because they don't like this bill. And it takes away a lot of the respect I have for State Patrol. This is nonsense. They don't have anybody over there doing any work now when it comes to marijuana. If they are, why does it suddenly cost \$680,000? They're probably not spending that much on enforcement right now, on sure-enough marijuana. As for what Senator Jensen...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...said about somebody saying, I thought I was planting industrial hemp, if it's somebody without a license, then they shouldn't be doing any of it anyway. But all of those arguments, if I can call them that, are reaches. Because they had people come into their office and tell them, if you pass this bill, the whole state is going to go to hades in a handbasket. And I say again, they don't come here saying that about heroin. Maybe nobody has told them about the new problem. But since this bill probably is not going to be badgered much longer, I will not say any more. But I am extremely disappointed and put out with the State Patrol for bringing this preposterous fiscal note. And even though I work with them on some things, I don't swallow everything they gave...they give me. And this is too much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The whale that swallowed Jonah couldn't swallow this.